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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Coordination Group Meeting, July 12, 1976

- 1. The DDCI is determined to have for the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence (SSCI), when it reconvenes next week, answers to the follow-up questions from the Agency's June 16 briefing on the Committee and from Mr. Knoche's confirmation hearing on 25 June. The Legislative Counsel's Office is gathering these answers, and the full package will be circulated to all group members later this week.
- 2. Legislative Counsel also has a raft of questions from Senator Hart. They apparently rephrase the recommendations of the Select Committee into questions that ask what the Agency is doing about the recommendations. The only one I noted that affected us concerned whether academicians must inform their institutions of their relations with the Agency. The group was of the opinion that the answer was negative, but there might still be a tactical question of what one said to Senator Hart at this time.
- 3. Finally, the Assistant Legislative Counsel circulated a memo for the record (copy attached) which contained a list of commitments the DDCI had made to the SSCI during his confirmation hearing. We were all asked to review these commitments with a view to a later discussion of which we would wish to retreat from.

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## MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Confirmation Hearing of E. Henry Knoche to be Deputy Director of Central Intelligence, 23 June 1976

1. At 9:45 a.m. on 23 June 1976, the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence met in open session on the nomination of E. Henry Knoche to be Deputy Director of Central Intelligence. The hearing was held in Room 235, Russell Senate Office Building. A complete transcript of the hearing was taken by Ward and Paul Reporting Company.

2. Present from the Committee were:

Senator Daniel Inouye (D., Hawaii), Chairman Senator Birch Bayh (D., Ind.) Senator Adlai Stevenson (D., Ill.) Senator Robert Morgan (D., N. C.) Senator Howard Baker, Jr. (R., Tenn.) Senator Strom Thurmond (R., S. C.) Senator Jake Garn (R., Utah)

Present from the Committee staff were:

William Miller, Staff Director
Michael Madigan, Minority Counsel
Charles Kirbow
Sam Bouchard
Walter Ricks
Anne Karalekas
Ted Ralston
Molly Dillon
Rick Inderfurth

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- 5. Chairman Inouye opened the session by stating that the Committee had heard from Mr. Knoche in executive session the previous week and that Mr. Knoche demonstrated that "his qualities for the post are of an extraordinarily high order." The Chairman viewed the nomination of Mr. Knoche as an important indication of the increasing emphasis the U.S. Government places on the intelligence analysis function. During the course of the hearing, Senators Baker, Thurmond, Bayh, Garn, Stevenson, and Morgan all spoke highly of Mr. Knoche's qualifications and announced their intention to support his nomination.
- 6. After the opening remarks by Chairman Inouye and Senator Baker, Mr. Knoche read a brief opening statement. All members of the Committee then questioned Mr. Knoche. In response to questions, Mr. Knoche:
  - a. Agreed to provide the Committee a full set of CIA regulations and notify them of changes;
  - b. Recommended providing NSCID's to Committee, but said NSC is the custodian;
  - c. Agreed to get together with GAO officials, work up suggested guidelines for GAO audits, and submit them to the Committee;
  - d. Agreed to work with the staff to develop procedures to report all CA projects to the Committee, not just the major ones;
  - e. Agreed to instruct the Inspector General and the General Counsel to submit to the Committee reports similar to those provided the IOB;
  - f. Agreed to instruct the General Counsel to notify the Committee when he refers allegations that activities by CIA employees violate Federal law to the Department of Justice;
  - g. Agreed to regularly remind CIA employees to bring to top management's attention activities which raise questions of legality or propriety;
  - h. Acknowledged that CIA employees should be able to come directly to the Committee if they are fearful—for whatever reason—of reporting a questionable activity to the Inspector General or IOB;
  - i. Agreed to work with the Committee to establish ground rules to keep the Committee informed of Inspector General surveys;
  - j. Agreed to volunteer substantive information to Congress that is relevant to the broad spectrum of Committee's interests.

7. Senator Inouye was forced to leave mid-way during the session for an Appropriations Committee mark-up session. Before leaving he announced that proxy votes had been submitted in favor of the nomination from Senators Barry Goldwater (R., Ariz.), William Hathaway (D., Maine), and Walter Huddleston (D., Ky.). Senator Bayh closed the meeting stating the Committee had 12 votes in favor of the nomination, and that Mr. Knoche could be assured that the nomination would be favorably reported. He further stated the Committee would poll the remaining members and would post the final vote at the end of the day.

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